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HICKMAN, FULTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, THURSDAY, JULY 1, 1909.

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## Among the Rounders.

Bert Bainsworth, aged 17, hailing from Mayfield, was arrested here Saturday night for shop-lifting. He was caught in the act of replenishing his supply of shirts. His case was heard by Judge Naylor, Monday morning, and the young man was ordered sent to the reform school at Lexington for 4 years. Deputy Sheriff Johnson left with him for that place Monday afternoon.

Virgil Ayers, charged with boot-legging, was picked up Saturday by officers Johnson and Wright near the Mengel Box factory. He had in his possession 12 quarts of "booze." Ayers was placed in jail to await a hearing—but we have not learned what became of the 12 qts.

Dick Richardson, alias "Whiskey Dick," was arrested near Mabel, Friday, on a charge of selling liquid refreshments made from corn or rye. He gave bond in the sum of \$100 for his appearance at the September term of Circuit Court.

A negro by the name of Gana, on S. L. Dodds bottom place, tanked up on bad whiskey Sunday and had the other negroes taken to the tall timber. In response to a telephone message, Sheriff Seat and Deputy Johnson was soon on the scene and found a 60 year old darky on the war path. He carried two revolvers and an abundance of ammunition, and looked like a walking arsenal to his dusky neighbors. He was landed in jail and taken before Judge Naylor Monday morning, who dressed him down to the tune of 85 plunks. Deferred charges were taken under consideration by the Judge, who will hand him another package by the time he serves time equal to the \$85. The negro came from Cairo.

## Body Found at Hickman.

As briefly stated in last week's paper, the body of Chas. E. Rollins, of Wickliffe, Ky., was found here last Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Ben Moore, a fisherman.

The body was taken to Wickliffe the same evening by Will Dennis and Ben Moore, on a gasoline boat where it was taken in charge by relatives.

A coroner's jury at this place rendered a verdict to the effect that deceased came to his death by drowning. However, another theory is advanced by Wickliffe people as will be seen from the following special from that place: "Foul play is a theory given credence in reference to the mysterious disappearance of Charles Rollins. The river is being dynamited today, but no trace of man or mule is found. The region he entered on his way to the farm has been infested for months by roving bands of Gypsy horse thieves, and nearly a dozen animals were stolen last winter in the boldest manner. It is believed the desperadoes would not hesitate to murder Mr. Rollins for his mule." It is possible that the man was killed and thrown in the river, but the condition of the body when found made it difficult to determine the cause of death.

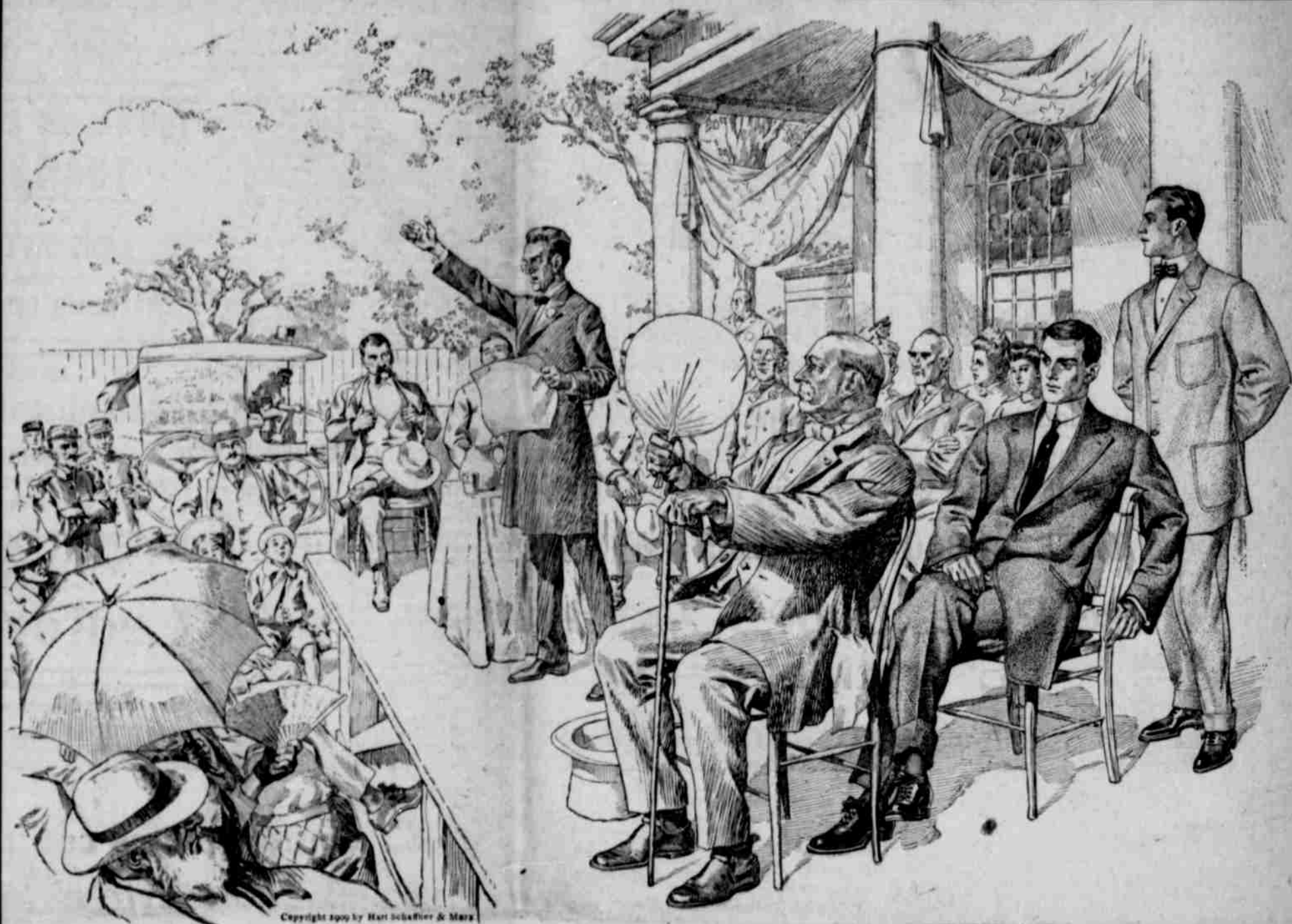
The Cairo Citizen of June 22 says: Charles Rollins, a farmer and well known citizen of Wickliffe rode off Monday morning to take some provisions to his farm hands and has not been heard from since.

The trip that Rollins set out to take took him along the river near Filmore. Acting upon the theory that he is drowned searching parties are examining the river bank as far down as Island No. 2, making the trip in a gasoline launch. Men on horseback were also scouring the wood. Rollins has a wife and four children who are prostrated by the anxiety and suspense, while his aged father has given up all hope of seeing his son alive. Rollins is about 48 years age.

Rollins was riding a mule that had work harness on it. He had to drive through the back water and it is feared that he got too near the bank and the mule stepped in. It was not discovered that he was missing until Monday evening, when the men on his farm went to Wickliffe to inquire why he had not come out to the farm as he said he would. Then it was learned that he started but had never reached his destination.

The real facts concerning his death may never be known.

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